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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 1-8, 29.
- This application does not contain a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). Applicant must provide such statement. If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000).

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• A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing" and a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

For questions regarding compliance to these requirements, please contact:

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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity

• \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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PATENT

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Application of:

Choong-Chin Liew

Serial No.:

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Filed: Entitled:

March 25, 2004

A Method for the Detection of

Osteoarthritis Related Gene

Transcripts in Blood

Examiner:

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Group Art Unit:

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8a

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

This is filed in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application mailed October 13, 2004.

1. The Notice states that the Declaration is missing.

An executed Declaration/Power of Attorney is enclosed.

2. The Notice stated that the \$65.00 surcharge for late filing fee for declaration is missing.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account Number 16-0085, Ref. NO. 4231/2055C for the \$65.00 surcharge for late filing fee for declaration.

3. The Notice states that replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required for Figures 1-8 and Figure 29.

Replacement Sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 for Figures 1-8 and Figure 29 are submitted herewith.

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4. The Notice states that the application does not contain a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing and, where application, contains no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), (f), (g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d).

Statement Under 37 CFR 1.821 (f) and (g) is submitted herewith.

5. The Notice States a copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e).

A computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing is enclosed herewith.

Date: 2/1/05

Respectfully submitted,

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PATENT

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March 25, 2004

A Method for the Detection of Osteoarthritis Related Gene Transcripts

in Blood

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

- 1. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts mailed October 13, 2004;
- 2. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts Part 2;
- 3. Petition for Two Months Extension of Time:
- 4. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- 5. Replacement Sheets for Figures 1-8 and Figure 29;
- 6. Statement Under 37 CFR 1.821(f) and (g);
- 7. Paper Copy of Sequence Listing (103 pages);
- 8. Computer Readable copy of Sequence Listing (2 floppy disks); and
- 9. Return Post Card.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference 4231/2055C. A duplicate of this transmittal letter is enclosed for this purpose.

Date: 2/1/08

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